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Customer No.: 31561
Docket No.: 12889-US-PA
Application No.: 10/709,332

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| Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address To: Commissioner for Patents Customer Service Window Mail Stop RCE Randolph Building 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314 | Application No. | : 10/709,332 |
| | Filing Date | : April 29, 2004 |
| | First Named Inventor | : Fran et al. |
| | Group Art Unit | : 2879 |
| | Examiner | : HINES, ANNE M. |
| | Attorney Docket No. | : 12889-US-PA |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114.

- a. ☐ **Previously submitted**
 () Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____.
 () Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 b. ☐ **Enclosed**
 (X) Preliminary Amendment in (11) page(s).
 () Replacement Sheet in () page(s).

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of ____ month(s).
 b. ☐ Associate Power of Attorney.

3. Fees are calculated as follows:

| | NUMBER FILED | CLAIMS FILED HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
|---|-----------------|---|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Basic Fee | | | | \$ 790 | \$ 790 |
| Total Claims | 26 | MINUS 26 | = 0 | × \$ 50 | = \$ 0 |
| Independent Claims | 4 | MINUS 4 | = 0 | × \$ 200 | = \$ 0 |
| [1] month(s) extension of time is hereby requested. | | | | Time Extension Fee | = \$ 120 |
| | | | | Total: | \$ 910 |

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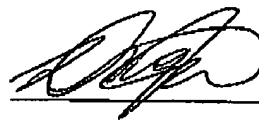
a. ☒ Please charge the fee in the amount of \$ 910 as calculated above to account No. 50-2620 (Order No.: 12889-US-PA).

b. If the payment is not fully covered in response thereof, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees required in connection with the filing of this paper to account No.: 50-2620 (Order No.: 12889-US-PA).

Date :

July 13, 2006

Respectfully Submitted,



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